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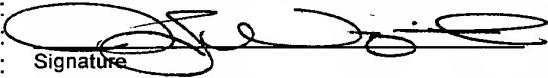
For:
**AUTOMATIC MEASUREMENT OF
AUDIO PRESENCE AND LEVEL BY
DIRECT PROCESSING OF AN
MPEG DATA STREAM**

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